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## MARY ROSE GARRIDO WILCOX SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 5

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## Maricopa County Gets 'A' on Report Card

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## MARY ROSE WILCOX TO MEET WITH MEXICAN PRESIDENT

Maricopa County does 'A' work! Governing Magazine recently reviewed 40 of the nation's largest counties. Two of the counties were graded with an 'A-' overall, the highest score allotted and Maricopa County was one of them.

(Phoenix)-Maricopa County Supervisor Mary Rose Wilcox will meet with Mexican President Vicente Fox and Mexican Foreign Minister Dr. Jorge Castañeda, as one of forty-five women from the United States invited to Mexico to meet with the Mexican leaders. She is the only woman from Arizona invited to attend the series of meetings on Friday, March 8th.

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The discussions will focus on women's issues as part of the International Woman's Day being celebrated i Mexico City, along with human services and international issues. Other key attendees include MariClare Acost Urquidi, Mexican Secretary of Human Services, and Patricia Espinosa, President of the International Institute fc Women in Mexico.

This will mark a reunion for Wilcox, who was invited to meet with Mexican President Carlos Salinas 14 year ago. Supervisor Wilcox says she is looking forward to this opportunity to meet with President Fox and Foreig Minister Castañeda. She said, "This is a tremendous honor and I look forward to the discussions. As a Mexicar American woman, I am sensitive to some of the challenges faced by women in both countries. I hope that thes discussions will lead to answers for some of the issues facing women in Mexico and the United States."

Mrs. Wilcox is very involved with the local and national Hispanic community and has served as a past membe of MALDEF (Mexican American Legal Defense & Education Fund) and NCLR (National Council of La Raza). She is currently the chair of the NALEO (National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials Educational Fund.

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